Belmont Recreation Commission Minutes of MeetingMarch 5, 2001

Meeting Called to Order: 7:02 p.m.

- Attendance:

Kathleen Ruane Mary Ann Johnson Edward Jones

- C. Paul Graham Lee Barber

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- Rich Marden of Goden St. attended the meeting and requested that maintenance to the outdoor skating area in front of the Underwood Pool be improved for next season. The Commission indicated they would relay his request to the Buildings and Grounds Department prior to the start of the next winter season.

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- Paul Graham gave an update on the High School Athletic Complex project and the style of athletic turf that is planned for the field.

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- Lee Barber gave an itemized update and report on the Field Study Committee that is looking into possible future development areas for new athletic fields.

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- A discussion was held on the School Department letter concerning the new fitness room at B.H.S. It was decided to invite School Department officials to a future meeting to discuss this issue in detail.

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Devorah Bunton, Director of Youth Services, attended the meeting to request cosponsorship of a summer program. The Commission voted approval, pending a review by the Town Administrator.

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Susan Weiner, Director of the Special Needs Program, attended to recommend not having a summer day camp this season. Her request was approved and the Commission determined to see if there will be a renewed need for this program in the future. We will look into the possibility of former Willow campers attending our other summer programs. The explanation will be that the program is being re-energized.

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The Commission will explore options to see if a new, taller fence can be installed at the Concord Avenue Softball field for this season to improve both playing and safety conditions for the Adult Slow-Pitch League.

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- A review of the plans for scheduling of fields for the upcoming Spring season is needed. If lacrosse is scheduled, the field use needs to be coordinated with other sports. The High School Athletic Director will be contacted to review plans.

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- The Director reviewed all current programming and plans for the spring and summer programs.

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- A letter requesting a donation from the Foundation for Belmont Education was discussed. The request was unanimously approved.
- Meeting Adjourned: 9:15 p.m.

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